CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. 98-022

REQUIRING THE CITY OF WOODLAND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM DISCHARGING CONTRARY TO REQUIREMENTS

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, (hereafter Board) finds:

- 1. On 23 January 1998, the Board adopted Order No. 98-021 prescribing waste discharge requirements for the City of Woodland Water Pollution Control Facility in Yolo County.
- 2. Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs), Order No. 98-021, contain Effluent Limitation No. 1 which reads, in part, as follows:

B. Effluent Limitations:

1. The effluent shall not exceed the following limits:

		Monthly	Weekly	Daily	1-hour
Constituents	Units	Average	Average	Maximum	Average
Organochlorine					
Pesticides	g/l			ND^4	
Beryllium	g/l		5.3	130	
Mercury	g/l		0.012		2.1
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthala	te g/l	5.9			

ND (non-detectable), The non-detectable limitation applies to each individual pesticide at any detection level. No individual pesticide may be present in the discharge at detectable concentrations. The Discharger shall use EPA standard analytical techniques that have the lowest possible detectable level for organochlorine pesticides with a maximum acceptable detection level of 0.05 g/l.

3. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency adopted the National Toxics Rule on 5 February 1993. Federal regulations require effluent limitations for all pollutants that are or may be discharged at a level that will cause or have the reasonable potential to cause, or contribute to an in-stream excursion above a narrative or numerical water quality standard. Based on information submitted as part of the WDRs application, the Board found that the discharge did have a reasonable potential to cause or contribute to an in-stream excursion above a National Toxics Rule Limitation for bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate. An Effluent limitation for this constituent is included in the waste discharge requirements in Effluent Limitation No. 1. Sampling indicates the existing wastewater treatment plant is not capable of meeting the effluent limit for this constituent. The Waste Discharge Requirement Effluent Limitations for beryllium and mercury were adopted to achieve compliance with the Basin Plan narrative prohibition against the

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discharge of toxic materials in toxic concentrations. The Waste Discharge Requirement Effluent Limitation for organochlorine pesticides is based on the Basin Plan prohibition against detectable pesticide concentrations in the water column. Effluent sampling at the wastewater treatment plant indicates the plant is not currently capable of meeting these effluent limitations.

- 4. The Discharger threatens to violate Waste Discharge Requirement Effluent Limitations. The Discharger can take reasonable measures to achieve full compliance by 30 December 2002.
- 5. On 23 January 1998, in Sacramento, California, after due notice to the Discharger and all other affected persons, the Board conducted a public hearing at which evidence was received to consider a Cease and Desist Order to establish a time schedule to achieve compliance with waste discharge requirements.
- 6. Issuance of this Order is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code, Section 21000, et seq.), in accordance with Section 15321 (a)(2), Title 14, California Code of Regulations.
- 7. Any person adversely affected by this action of the Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Board) to review the action. The petition must be received by the State Board Office of the Chief Counsel, P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-0100, within 30 days of the date which the action was taken. Copies of the law and regulations applicable to filing petitions will be provided on request.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The City of Woodland shall comply with the following time schedule to assure compliance with the effluent limits contained in Waste Discharge Requirements Effluent Limitation No. 1 as described in the above Findings;

	Compliance	Report
Task	Date	<u>Due</u>
Progress Report ¹		
and Implementation Schedule		30 Nov., annually
Achieve Full Compliance with Waste Discharge Requirements	30 Dec. 2002	_
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¹ The annual progress report shall detail what steps have been implemented towards acheiving compliance with waste discharge requirements, evaluate the effectiveness of the implemented measures and assess whether additional measures are necessary to meet the time schedule.

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2. If, in the opinion of the Executive Officer, the Discharger fails to comply with the provisions of this order, the Executive Officer may apply to the Attorney General for judicial enforcement or issue a complaint for Administrative Civil Liability.

I, GARY M. CARLTON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 23 January 1998.

GARY M. CARLTON, Executive Officer

RPM:27 January 1998